

Appl. No. 09/871,990  
Amdt. Dated 6/21/2005  
Preliminary Amendment

**Remarks**

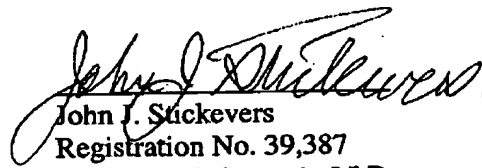
The following preliminary amendment is being filed in response to an Examiner's interview that was conducted on June 13, 2005 with Examiner Dennis Bonshock. No agreement was reached during the Interview. The present amendments are being made to clarify the claims in view of the reference to Narukar et al. (US 6,339,795) in light of the discussion during the Interview.

It is believed that with these amendments, in view of our previous remarks, and in view of the Examiner's interview today that all of the claim rejections have been addressed and that the application is now in condition for allowance. Reconsideration of the claims and issuance of a notice of allowance are respectfully requested.

If any matter arises which may expedite issuance of a notice of allowance, the Examiner is requested to call the undersigned, at the telephone number given below.

It is believed that no extension is required for this application. If any additional fees are required for the timely consideration of this application, please charge deposit account number 19-4972.

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